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## Fortnightly Guests

Members of the Fortnightly entertained with gentlemen's night at their meeting in Alexander hall on Friday evening, Dec. 7. While there was the usual large attendance because of the weather, it proved to be a most interesting meeting. Mrs. George Sheldon, the president, presided and welcomed the guests as well as introducing the guest speaker, Mrs. Clifton Johnson of Springfield, whose subject was "Hawaii, the land of flowers." Her talk held the closest attention of her audience and was much appreciated. I. J. Lawrence led in singing a group of songs with Mrs. Robert Taylor at the piano. Refreshments were served and the hostesses were Mrs. Stanley Bistrek, Mrs. Hubert Eastman, Mrs. F. H. Briesmaster, Mrs. George Carr, Mrs. Allen H. Wright and Mrs. Gordon Moody. The next meeting will be Friday, January 4, in Alexander hall when there will be an entertainment from foreign lands by Marie E. Fay.

## New Management

Miss Virginia M. Powell has been appointed by the American Red Cross to be Entertainment Coordinator for the Army, Navy and some veteran hospitals in the Boston area. Her work will consist of coordinating all volunteer groups, amateur entertainers and, through the American Theatre, with professional talent who are available to go to the hospitals within distance of Boston. Miss Powell will report on Dec. 14th.

## Mrs. Wilfred Fry Dies

Mrs. Anna Ayer Fry, widow of Wilfred W. Fry, former president of the N. W. Ayer and Son, advertising agents of Philadelphia and at one time president of the Northfield Schools, died Monday evening, December 10th, at the Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, at the age of 70 years. Mr. Fry died in 1936. Mrs. Fry will be remembered by many here for she had a large number of personal friends.

## Alexander H. Pearson

Alexander Henry Pearson of this town died Monday, December 10, after a long illness. He was for many years a watchman on the grounds of Northfield Seminary and when time permitted operated the chimes in the belfry of Sage chapel. He had a talent for music and was appreciated for his endeavors. Until his retirement he lived on Winchester road when with his wife they made their home with his daughter, Mrs Horace W. Bolton. Mr. Pearson was born in England May 17, 1865, and was married June 3, 1896, to Eliza Doun of Cohoes, N. Y., who survives. He was a member of Harmony Lodge of Masons and the local Order of the Eastern Star. He was a member of the Congregational church. Besides his wife surviving are a son, Harold T. Pearson of Somerville; two daughters, Mrs. Henry H. Flagg of Rutland, Vt., and Mrs. Bolton. Also a sister, Miss Sarah Allen Pearson of Cohoes, N. Y., and five grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr and Mrs Horace W. Bolton at the Holton farm with Rev Joseph W. Reeves officiating. Burial was in the West Northfield cemetery.

## Hermion Alumni News

The Mount Hermon Alumni News, Gaylord W. Douglas, editor, makes its appearance with the quarterly December issue. We have not seen a more readable and attractive issue to bind together the graduates of any school or college. This issue just off the press contains much of interest concerning Dr. Henry Franklin Cutler, former headmaster for 42 years, who died October 8 of this year. He was the builder of the school. The death of Richard L. Watson, for 40 years a loyal leader and staff member, is also chronicled. Many will keep a copy of the News for future rereading.

Members report that the Tuesday afternoon Bible class which meets with Mrs. Joseph R. Colton, each week, have most interesting sessions. The take up the stud of the Hebrew titles of God. After Christmas the studies will be in the three Epistles of John. All women are invited to attend.

## Buy Christmas Seals

Your purchase of Christmas Seals makes possible an extensive rehabilitation program for the person having had tuberculosis. This rehabilitation service is sponsored by the Franklin County Public Health Assoc.

A recent survey in Franklin County revealed 106 families that can benefit from this service; to date 72 of these have been contacted.

Not only are follow-up home visits made, but an in-sanatorium program is carried on at the Hampshire County Sanatorium in Leeds where 30% of the patients are from Franklin County. Recreational movies are shown monthly, a library service has been made available, handwork is encouraged. The purpose of this is to make their stay at the sanatorium more pleasant, thus encouraging the patients to start until their cure can be a permanent one. Patients at the Westfield State Sanatorium are also followed.

## On His Way Home

Discharged from service with the Navy at San Francisco, Lieut. (jg) Gordon Carr, son of George W. Carr, is on his way home here across the continent. Lt. Carr entered the navy in 1942 and was commissioned an ensign in August, 1943, and promoted to Lieut (jg) in December, 1944. He was stationed at the naval air station at Alameda, Calif. He is a graduate of Mount Hermon school and Wentworth Institute and his wife is the former Polly Spencer of this town.

## Concerning Dr. Kagawa

The editor has been privileged to receive some interesting information concerning Toyohiko Kagawa, militant pacifist, agrarian reformer, social worker and zealous Christian of Japan. Throughout the war, little was heard of him, he had been imprisoned, and early was placed under arrest. His writings and books had been confiscated and his publishers were compelled to destroy the plates. He is a poor old man, aged and infirm with sight failing and suffering from malnutrition, the victim of persecution by the militarists who ruthlessly destroyed his work. He is a different individual than when America saw him last and when he appeared in Northfield, yet to-day he heads the relief work in Japan and is advisor on questions of education and religion. In sincere humiliation, for his country's action, he is giving valuable assistance to the American administration.

## Garden Club Xmas Party

At its regular meeting held at Alexander Hall Monday evening, the 3rd., the Garden Club held a member's Christmas party when gifts were exchanged and carol singing was on the program. Vice-president I. J. Lawrence presided and after a short business session, Dr. Edward Fairbank gave an interesting talk on the "Flowers of India" and Mrs. George W. Carr read a Christmas story. Special holiday decorations were provided and there was a good attendance despite the bad weather.

## Mrs. Hattie H. Wood

The death of Mrs. Hattie Harvey Wood of the Farms took place at her home on Friday, December 7th., after an illness of almost twelve weeks. She was the wife of Francis V. Wood and 80 years of age. She was born in Greenwich October 27, 1865, the daughter of Oramel and Mary (Sayton) Harvey. Her marriage to Mr. Wood took place in Baldwinsville Nov. 24, 1884, and since that time they had made their residence here. They owned and managed the Loveland House for ten years after which they moved to the Farms district. Mrs. Wood was a charter member of the Ladies Benevolent society, and active in the Sons of Veterans auxiliary in earlier years. She lived her life for her family and in doing much for others. Besides her husband, she is survived by a son, Lewis H. Wood, at home; a sister, Mrs. Bessie Mitchell of Springfield and two nieces. Funeral services were held at her home Sunday afternoon following with Rev. Helen Bassett officiating. Burial was in the Farms cemetery.

Despite the snow and slush with a heavy rain a large number of our citizens attended the public supper at the town hall Thursday evening, the 6th, given by the Fish and Game club for the benefit of the Senior class vacation trip. Many remained for the card party after the supper. Mrs. Galen Stearns was chairman of the committee in charge. \$135 was the profit.

## Christmas Gifts

### Gifts For Baby

Hand Made Sweaters .....	\$1.69 to \$2.98
Buntings .....	\$3.98 to \$7.50
Angora Bonnets .....	\$1.98 to \$3.98
Hand Made Dresses .....	\$1.98 and \$2.98

Also Soft and Cuddly Toys, Etc.

### Gifts For Girls

(From a Baby to Size 16)

Wool Jumpers .....	\$2.95 to \$5.95
Silk and Cotton Dresses .....	\$1.20 to \$5.95
Sweaters, Skirts and Blouses .....	\$1.19 to \$5.98
Quilted Robes .....	\$2.98 to \$8.98

### Gifts For Boys

Wash and Knit Suits .....	\$1.20 to \$2.98
Eton Suits .....	\$3.98 to \$5.98
Longie Suits .....	\$10.98 to \$15.98
Fancy Shirts .....	\$1.69 and \$1.98

Also Sweaters, Polo Shirts, Ties, Etc.

THE  
CHILDREN'S  
STORE

MADAME GOSSELIN

(The First Store of its Kind in Franklin County)

221 Main St

Greenfield

## Light Up for a Bright and Happy CHRISTMAS!

Dear Mom,

I didn't even have to think twice when you asked me what I wanted for Christmas. I'll be home soon but I thought I'd let you know in plenty of time. My present doesn't cost much but I've waited almost four years for it. First of all, on Christmas Eve, I want to see a big wreath on the front door and the lights in the windows shining out warm and friendly on the snow. Then I want to see you and Dad and Sis listening to the carols on the radio and putting the decorations on our Christmas tree. It doesn't need to be a big tree, but it has to be a real one with all the trimmings—colored lights and tinsel and a big silver star on top. I guess you know what I mean, Mom. Christmas at home is just about the best thing there is.....

Your loving son,  
Tom



Western Massachusetts Electric Company

\* LISTEN TO "THE ELECTRIC HOUR" WITH NELSON EDDY, SUNDAYS 4:30 P. M. CBS \*

### Town Topics

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Floyd C. Aldrich of South Vernon at the Franklin county hospital on Tuesday, December 11.

A son was born to Master Sgt. and Mrs. Ralph H. Reed of this town at the Franklin county hospital on Monday, December 10.

A total eclipse of the moon will occur on the evening of Tuesday, December 18, and all should be able to view it as the hours of duration are between seven and eleven.

The Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian church met for a luncheon Thursday at 1 o'clock. There were items of business, singing of Christmas carols and a social time. The Evening Alliance met in the evening for a Christmas program.

The home of the late Mrs. E. F. Howard off Highland Ave., recently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Compton is offered for sale. Consult Mr. Hoehn.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Black was totally destroyed by fire, Tuesday morning the 11th. Firemen responded to the call and made the run out Maple Street promptly but efforts were of no avail.

Robert Gingrass of the Navy is enjoying a leave at his home on Parker Street. He is a seaman (1c) and will report to Boston for assignment to another ship as the one he was serving on goes out of commission.

A boy's club is to be formed at the South Vernon church under the name of the Christian service brigade. Gordon Buffum, Edgar Grant and Courtland Dunklee are a committee in charge.

The will of the late Ambert G. Moody, who died November 10, has been filed in Probate court. The bulk of the estate was left to his widow, Frances Wells Moody, who was named executrix. At her death nine tenths will be divided among the children and one-tenth will go to charity as she directs.

At the Grand card party Monday evening the 3rd the door prize was won by Matthew Smith. High scores went to Miss Madeline Long and Eugene Irish.

Information has been received that Mrs. Frank P. Manley and her young son have arrived safely in India after a sea voyage of a month. Their health is good and they are becoming settled in their home.

The Rustic Ridge association has contributed toward the memorial chimes for the late George C. Stebbins to be erected at the Catskill, N. Y., Methodist church, where he worshipped.

### CLASSIFIED

Spencer Corsetierre. Surgical and style garments. For appointment in your home write Dorothy Wagstaff, 60 Riddell St., Greenfield, or phone Greenfield 3353.

**WANTED:** Waitress—part or full time. No experience necessary. Apply Valley Vista Inn. Tel. 301.

**FOR SALE:** A sufficient supply of asphalt asbestos shingles to cover roof of ordinary house. For information write Shingles care Box 164, Northfield Postoffice.

**FOR SALE:** Dressed fowl and roasting chicken now available. Also fresh eggs. Telephone Mitchell 615.

**FOR SALE:** For Christmas—Pine soap made by Jonathan Lode. Call by phone Northfield 548.



**Industrial Suppliers:**  
When he's ready to buy, will he know where to find your product or service?

**It Pays** TO LIST YOUR BUSINESS IN  
**TELEPHONE DIRECTORY**  
**YELLOW PAGES**

## Christmas Carol

*Santa's in town  
So come on down  
And see!  
We've gifts for baby  
Gifts for sis  
And gifts for that wonderful junior miss!  
Toys and clothes and fun galore  
Find them here at the family store!*

# Wilson's

Greenfield



Robert Collins, who has been in charge of the Vermont fish hatchery in Vernon, has resigned and will become in charge of the state hatchery at Bennington.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Olds went to Wakefield on Saturday, the 24th, to attend the wedding of Mrs. Olds' sister, Miss Laurette Gauthier, to Robert Lounsbury, just released from service with the seabees.

Released from service is Joseph W. Holton SF3c, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Holton of West Northfield. He entered the seabees in December, 1942, and served in the south Pacific and on Okinawa. His wife is the former Karlene Tyler of this town.

### LEGAL

Take Notice: — All persons having bills against the Town of Northfield, should send them to the Selectmen not later than Thursday, December 20, 1945, to receive attention.

FRED A. HOLDEN,  
Chairman  
Board of Selectmen

## The Mount Hermon Players

present

## SNAFU

A Comedy In Three Acts

Camp Hall Mount Hermon School

Dec. 15 8.15 P. M.

Admission Free

### You Too May Be Included

Right Now Is The Time To

## Join Our 1946 Christmas Club

Save During The Year For Sufficient Funds  
For Your Christmas In 1946

## Greenfield Savings Bank

MANSION HOUSE BLOCK

Greenfield

## PARAMOUNT

BRATTLEBORO

Sun.-Tues. Dec. 16-18

### HOLIDAY INN

Bing Crosby Fred Astaire

Wed.-Thurs. Dec. 19-20

### PHANTOM OF 42ND. ST.

Dave O'Brien Kay Aldridge

Also CRAZY KNIGHTS

Fri.-Sat. Dec. 21-22

### THE KID SISTER

Judy Clark

Also CHILDREN OF THE WILD

### LATCHIS MEMORIAL

2:15

### BRATTLEBORO

6:30

### AUDITORIUM

8:30

Fri.-Sat. Dec. 14-15

### THAT NIGHT WITH YOU

Susanna Foster Franchot Tone

Tun.-Tues. Dec. 16-18

### CAPTAIN KIDD

Charles Laughton Barbara Britton

Wed.-Thurs. Dec. 19-20

### LOVE, HONOR & GOODBYE

Virginia Bruce Edward Ashley

Fri.-Sat. Dec. 21-22

### DON'T FENCE ME IN

Roy Rogers Dale Evans

Sun.-Mon. Dec. 16-17

### HOME IN INDIANA

(Technicolor)

Tues. Dec. 18

### Tree Grows In Brooklyn

Peggy Ann Garner

Wed.-Thurs. Dec. 19-20

### WILSON

(Technicolor)

Fri.-Sat. Dec. 21-22

### THUNDERHEAD

Preston Foster